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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT



SPONSOR: Sharer DATE TYPED: 02/12/02 HB _____

SHORT TITLE: Highway 550 Study SB SM 2/aSRC

ANALYST: Valdes

APPROPRIATION

Appropriation Contained		Estimated Additional Impact		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY02	FY03	FY02	FY03		
			NFI		

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

State Highway and Transportation Department (SHTD)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Amendment

Senate Memorial 2 as amended by the Senate Rules Committee strikes “Highway 550” and inserts the phrase “all rural four lane highways.” This amendment requests the State Highway and Transportation Department Secretary conduct an engineering study and traffic investigation for the purpose of raising the speed limit on all rural four-lane highways to 75 miles per hour.

Significant Issues of Amendment

The amendment requests that engineering surveys and traffic investigations be conducted on all rural four-lane highways to determine if speed limits can be raised to 75 miles per hour.

The posted speed limit for a particular highway cannot exceed the designed speed limit.

Synopsis of Original Bill

Senate Memorial 2 requests the State Highway and Transportation Department Secretary conduct an engineering survey and traffic investigation for the purpose of raising the speed limit on United States highway 550 (US550) to 75 miles per hour.

Significant Issues

The current posted speed limit on US550 is 70 miles per hour. According to the department, US550 has a design speed of 70 miles per hour and the maximum posted speed cannot exceed the designed speed.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

No fiscal impact.

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